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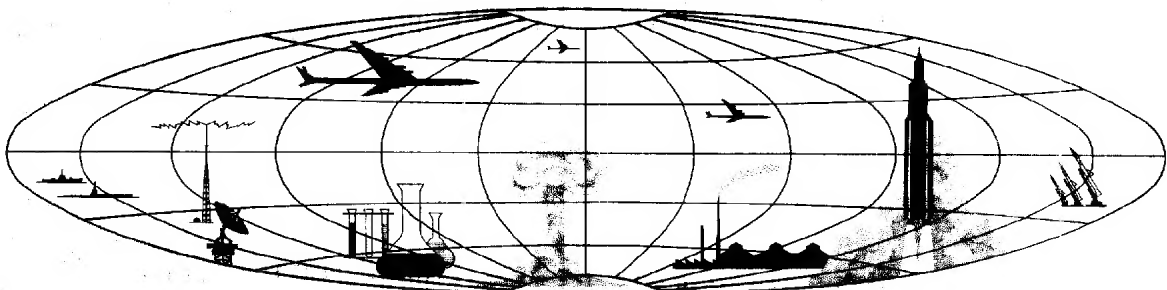
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IMMEDIATE PHOTOGRAPHIC INTERPRETATION REPORT

THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION REPRESENTS A PRELIMINARY ANALYSIS OF AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHY FROM BRASS KNOB MISSION 3623, DATED 8 JUNE 1963. THE NUMBER APPEARING AT THE END OF THE HEADER LINE IS THE COMOR TARGET NUMBER. APPROXIMATELY 70 PERCENT OF THE AREA WAS CLOUD COVERED.

-MISSILES-

25X1A

GUANAJAY IRBM SITE 1 2257N 08239W

SITE IS ABANDONED.
APPROXIMATELY 7 VEHICLES NEAR ARCHED-ROOF BUILDING.

25X1D

SAGUA LA GRANDE MRBM SITE 2 2239N 07951W

NO MISSILE ACTIVITY OBSERVED IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS.

25X1D

GUANAJAY IRBM SITE 2 2257N 08236W

SITE IS ABANDONED.
APPROXIMATELY 16 VEHICLES VISIBLE IN SUPPORT AREA.

25X1D

TAPASTE AREA, STORAGE SITES 2303N 08207W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN PERMANENT FACILITIES.
ONE LARGE AND ONE MEDIUM TENT (NONE OF A KNOWN SOVIET TYPE) OBSERVED IN THE AREA.
NO MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

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MARIEL SAM SITE 2300N 08249W

25X1D

SIX REVETTED LAUNCHERS, APPROXIMATELY 6 MISSILE TRANSPORTERS, 4 PROBABLE FLATBED TRAILERS AND AN OCCUPIED GUIDANCE AREA OBSERVED.

MATANZAS SAM SITE 2301N 08129W

25X1D

SITE CONTAINS 6 UNRETTED LAUNCHERS (3 CANVAS-COVERED), ONE CANVAS-COVERED MISSILE TRANSPORTER AND AN OCCUPIED GUIDANCE AREA.

SAGUA LA GRANDE SAM SITE 2251N 08005W

25X1D

SIX CANVAS-COVERED LAUNCH POSITIONS AND AN OCCUPIED GUIDANCE REVETMENT OBSERVED.

DELEITE SAM SITE 2259N 08045W

25X1D

SITE CONTAINS 6 CANVAS-COVERED LAUNCH REVETMENTS, A CANVAS-COVERED HOLD POSITION, AND AN OCCUPIED GUIDANCE REVETMENT.

SANTIAGO DE LAS VEGAS SAM ASSEMBLY AREA 2257N 08221W

25X1D

TWENTY-THREE MISSILE TRANSPORTERS, 6 FLATBED TRAILERS, APPROXIMATELY 30 MISSILE CANISTERS, ONE PROBABLE MISSILE ON DOLLY, AND 28 UNIDENTIFIED TRAILERS OBSERVED.

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SANTA CRUZ DEL NORTE CRUISE-MISSILE SITE 2309N 08156W

SITE CONTAINS 2 REVETTED LAUNCHERS, A CANVAS-COVERED
PARKING SHELTER, 10 CRUISE-MISSILE CRATES, AND A
CANVAS-COVERED GUIDANCE AREA.

25X1D

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CAMPO FLORIDO CRUISE-MISSILE SITE 2306N 08211W

TWO UNREVETTED LAUNCHERS, 26 UNIDENTIFIED VEHICLES, 3
LARGE TENTS (2 NOT OF A KNOWN SOVIET TYPE) AND A
CANVAS-COVERED GUIDANCE AREA OBSERVED.
OBLIQUITY PRECLUDES FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

25X1D

--AIRFIELDS--

25X1A

CAMILO CIENFUEGOS AIRFIELD 2229N 07955W

AIRCRAFT -- 16 FAGOT/FRESCO AND ONE HARE.
NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.

25X1D

CORONEL PASCUAL AIRFIELD 2307N 08117W

NO AIRCRAFT OR MILITARY ACTIVITY OBSERVED.

25X1D

SAN ANTONIO DE LOS BANOS AIRFIELD 2252N 08231W

AIRCRAFT -- 34 FISHBED, 20 FAGOT/MIDGET, 4 FARMER, AND
2 HOUND.

25X1D

JOSE MARTI INTERNATIONAL AIRFIELD 2300N 08224W

AIRCRAFT -- 3 CONSTELLATION, 4 C-46, 3 C-54, ONE COOT,
2 BRITANNIA, 4 CRATE, ONE LODESTAR, AND ONE
LIAISON-TYPE.

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CAMPO LIBERTAD AIRFIELD 2306N 08226W

25X1D

AIRCRAFT -- ONE FAGOT/FRESCO, 3 CRATE, ONE CAB, ONE
PBY, 7 COLT, AND APPROXIMATELY 35 LIAISON/TRAINER.

MARIEL NAVAL AIR STATION 2300N 08246W

NO AIRCRAFT OBSERVED.
NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.

25X1D

PLAYA BARACOA AIRFIELD 2302N 08235W

AIRCRAFT -- 57 HOUND (2 WITHOUT ROTORS), 4 HARE (2
WITHOUT ROTORS), ONE BELL HELICOPTER, AND ONE C-47.

25X1D

MANAGUA AIRFIELD 2258N 08217W

25X1D

NO AIRCRAFT OBSERVED.

TRINIDAD AIRFIELD 2147N 07959W

25X1D

NO AIRCRAFT OBSERVED.

--PORTS--

MARIEL PORT 2301N 08245W

25X1D

VESSELS -- 11 KOMAR-CLASS PGMG, 2 PF (),
ONE PC, ONE COASTAL VESSEL AT THE CEMENT PLANT PIER,
ONE COASTAL TANKER, AND 2 LARGE FREIGHTERS AT MARIEL

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25X1D CITY PIER.
[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

CIENFUEGOS PORT 2209N 08027W

25X1D VESSELS -- 4 LARGE FREIGHTERS (ONE AT ANCHOR) AND ONE
PROBABLE COASTAL FREIGHTER.
OBLIQUITY PRECLUDES FURTHER INTERPRETATION.
[REDACTED]

25X1A
[REDACTED]

LA ISABELA PORT 2256N 08001W

25X1D VESSELS -- 2 LARGE FREIGHTERS AND ONE COASTAL
FREIGHTER.
NO MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.
[REDACTED]

CARDENAS PORT 2302N 08112W

25X1D VESSELS -- ONE LARGE FREIGHTER IN PORT AND ONE
LARGE FREIGHTER INBOUND.
NO MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.
[REDACTED]

MATANZAS PORT 2303N 08134W

25X1D VESSELS -- 2 LARGE FREIGHTERS, ONE LARGE TANKER,
AND 2 COASTAL FREIGHTERS.
NO MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.
[REDACTED]

SURGIDERO DE BATABAND PORT 2241N 08218W

25X1D NO LARGE VESSELS OR MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.
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HAVANA PORT 2308N 08221W

VESSELS -- 2 PF, 5 PC (ONE KRONSTADT-CLASS), 3 PT,
ONE KOMAR-CLASS PGMG ON MARINE RAILWAY, 27 LARGE
FREIGHTERS, 2 COASTAL FREIGHTERS, 2 LARGE TANKERS, ONE
PASSENGER SHIP ON THE NORTH SIDE OF THE SANTA CLARA
PIER, AND 3 TRAWLERS.

25X1D

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CABANAS PORT 2259N 08256W

NO LARGE VESSELS OBSERVED.

25X1D

-ELECTRONICS-

HAVANA AREA, COMMUNICATIONS CENTER 2301N 08225W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.
SIXTEEN PROBABLE VAN TRUCKS AND APPROXIMATELY 10
UNIDENTIFIED VEHICLES OBSERVED.

25X1D

-MILITARY ACTIVITY-

LA FLORA AREA, MILITARY STORAGE 2252N 08233W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.
THREE VEHICLES OBSERVED.
DARKNESS AND FOLIAGE PRECLUDE FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

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ARTEMISA, MILITARY CAMP 2251N 08248W

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NO APPARENT CHANGE SINCE

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LA BOCA, MILITARY CAMP 2301N 08242W

FOUR LARGE TENTS, 26 PROBABLE VAN TRUCKS AND 4
UNIDENTIFIED VEHICLES OBSERVED.

25X1D

BAHIA HONDA, MILITARY CAMP 2258N 08311W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.
HAZE PRECLUDES FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

25X1D

MINAS, AMMUNITION STORAGE AREA 2307N 08211W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.
TWO FLATBED TRUCKS OBSERVED IN THE AREA.

25X1D

HAVANA, AMMUNITION STORAGE AREA 2301N 08226W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.
NO MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

25X1D

SANTIAGO DE LAS VEGAS AREA, MILITARY CAMP 2258N 08220W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.
FOLIAGE AND DARKNESS PRECLUDE DETAILED INTERPRETATION.

25X1D

SAN JOSE DE LAS LAJAS AREA, MILITARY CAMP 2255N 08210W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.
NO MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

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TORRENS, MILITARY COMPLEX 2259N 08228W 25X1D

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NO APPARENT CHANGE SINCE [REDACTED]

SANTA CLARA AREA, MILITARY ACTIVITY 2221N 07957W

25X1D

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.
APPROXIMATELY 18 TANKS/SP GUNS OBSERVED.

MADRUGA, POL STORAGE 2256N 08149W

25X1D

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN VISIBLE AREAS.
TEN UNIDENTIFIED VEHICLES OBSERVED IN THE AREA.

LIMONAR AREA, MILITARY CAMP 2256N 08124W 25X1D

25X1D

NO APPARENT CHANGE SINCE [REDACTED]

MANAGUA, MILITARY CAMP 2258N 08217W

25X1D

THIRTY-TWO LOWBOY TRAILERS, 9 TANKS/SP GUNS, 28 VAN
TRUCKS, APPROXIMATELY 50 CARGO TRUCKS AND
APPROXIMATELY 25 OTHER VEHICLES OBSERVED NORTH OF
RUNWAY. APPROXIMATELY 250 VEHICLES OBSERVED SOUTH OF
RUNWAY IN THE HEADQUARTERS AREA.

25X1A

NAZARENO, MILITARY AREA 2258N 08214W

25X1D

FOUR TANKS/SP GUNS AND 13 OTHER VEHICLES OBSERVED.
FOLIAGE AND SHADOWS LIMIT INTERPRETATION.

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GUANABO AREA, MILITARY AREA 2311N 08203W

25X1D

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.
SHADOWS AND FOLIAGE PRECLUDE FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

25X1A

CAMPO FLORIDO, MILITARY CAMP 2307N 08206W

25X1D

THIRTEEN TANKS/SP GUNS AND 10 OTHER VEHICLES OBSERVED.
SHADOWS LIMIT INTERPRETATION.

25X1A

GUANABACOA, MILITARY AREA 2307N 08215W

25X1D

WEST AREA -- APPROXIMATELY 25 UNIDENTIFIED VEHICLES
AND 3 FA PIECES.
EAST AREA -- APPROXIMATELY 20 PROBABLE CARGO TRUCKS,
APPROXIMATELY 40 UNIDENTIFIED VEHICLES AND 6 FA
PIECES.

25X1A

LOMA DE TIERRA, MILITARY CAMP 2301N 08213W

25X1D

ONE LOWBOY TRAILER AND APPROXIMATELY 175 CARGO TRUCKS
OBSERVED.

25X1A

HAVANA AREA, MILITARY CAMP 2300N 08218W

25X1D

AREA 1 -- 12 TANKS/SP GUNS AND APPROXIMATELY 60
UNIDENTIFIED VEHICLES VISIBLE.
AREA 2 -- APPROXIMATELY 20 UNIDENTIFIED VEHICLES.
AREA 3 -- 10 TANKS/SP GUNS AND 13 UNIDENTIFIED
VEHICLES.
AREA 4 -- 2 CARGO TRUCKS, 4 UNIDENTIFIED VEHICLES AND
2 PROBABLE FA PIECES.
AREA 5 -- APPROXIMATELY 20 UNIDENTIFIED VEHICLES AND
4 PROBABLE FA PIECES.

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SPECIAL AREA HOTEL 2301N 08246W

25X1D

APPROXIMATELY 20 VEHICLES OBSERVED AT PUNTA REGLA AND
APPROXIMATELY 50 VEHICLES NEAR POL STORAGE AREA.

-MISCELLANEOUS ACTIVITY-

25X1A

SAN FRANCISCO DE PAULA, MUNITIONS STGE SITE 2303N 08218W

25X1D

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.
APPROXIMATELY 75 UNIDENTIFIED VEHICLES OBSERVED IN THE
AREA.

25X1A

MANAGUA, MUNITIONS STORAGE SITE 2258N 08218W

25X1D

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.
NO MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

25X1A

BEJUCAL, MUNITIONS STORAGE SITES 2256N 08223W

25X1D

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.
ELEVEN VAN TRUCKS AND 27 OTHER VEHICLES OBSERVED IN
HEADQUARTERS AREA.

25X1A

LA ROSITA AREA, STORAGE INSTALLATION 2208N 08004W

25X1D

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.
NO MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

SANTA CLARA AREA, MILITARY INSTALLATION 2224N 07953W

NO CHANGE IN FACILITIES.
NO MILITARY ACTIVITY OBSERVED IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS.

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-STATUS OF OTHER TARGETS-

THE FOLLOWING TARGETS SHOW NO APPARENT CHANGE
SINCE LAST COVERAGE--

25X1A

BAHIA HONDA SAM SITE	2257N 08317W
HAVANA SAM SITE	2309N 08213W
MANAGUA SAM SITE	2259N 08215W
MAJANA SAM SITE	2241N 08249W
BAHIA HONDA PORT	2255N 08311W
BAJURAYABO AREA MILITARY CAMP	2308N 08210W
SPECIAL AREA ALPHA	2258N 08227W
SPECIAL AREA BRAVO BLUE	2250N 08233W
SPECIAL AREA BRAVO RED	2254N 08231W
SPECIAL AREA VICTOR	2300N 08234W
SPECIAL AREA TANGO	2258N 08244W
TARARA LANDING BEACH	2310N 08212W
MATANZAS LANDING BEACH	2301N 08126W
VARADERO LANDING BEACH	2308N 08118W
LA BOCA, INDUSTRIAL CONSTRUCTION	2301N 08245W
MATANZAS CITY, LA CUMBRE ALTA	2304N 08133W
CABANAS, SECURED AREA U/C	2258N 08258W

THE FOLLOWING TARGETS COULD BE IDENTIFIED BUT
NOT INTERPRETED --

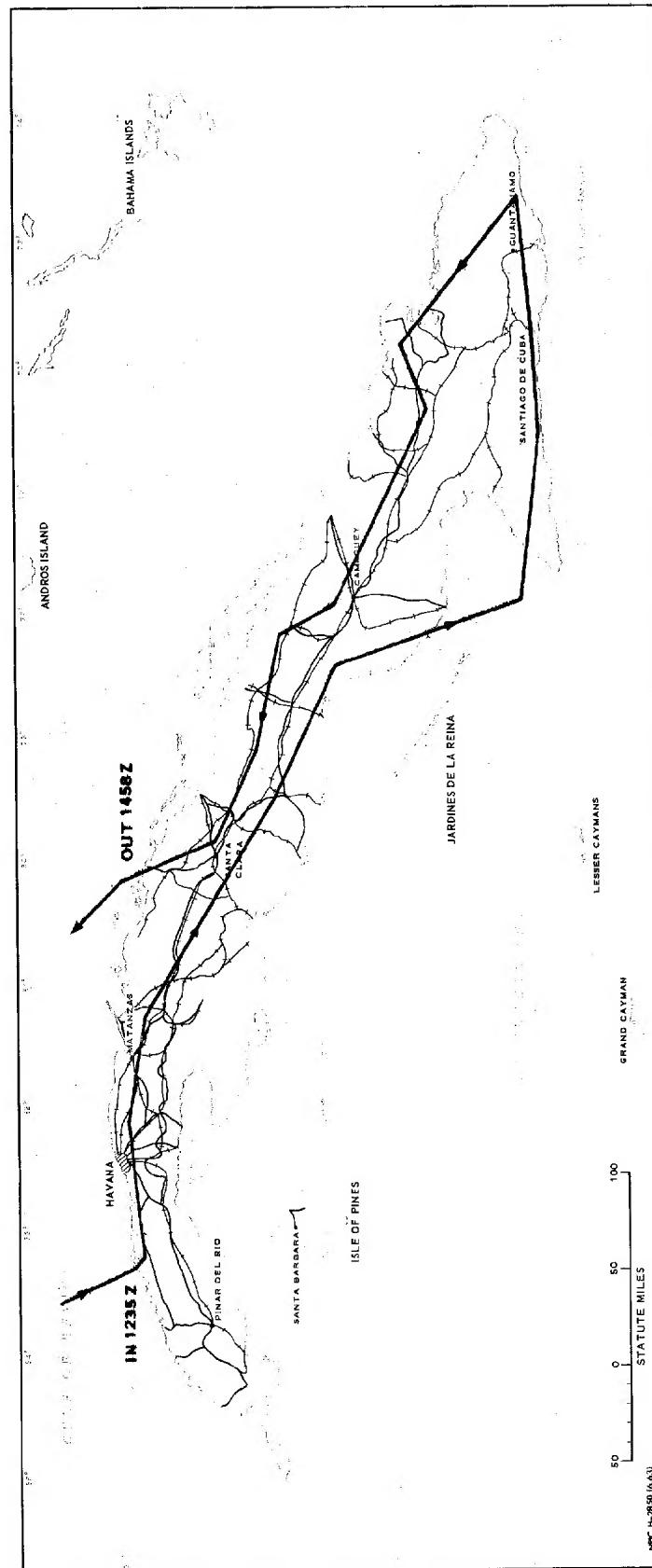
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SAGUA LA GRANDE MRBM SITE 1	2243N 08001W
CIEGO DE AVILA SAM SITE	2142N 07850W
GUERRA POSSIBLE CRUISE-MISSILE SITE	2300N 08250W
JAIME GONZALES AIRFIELD	2209N 08025W
CABANAS AREA, MILITARY CAMP	2256N 08251W
REMEDIOS AREA, MILITARY CAMP	2227N 07934W
CIENFUEGOS LANDING BEACH	2202N 08036W
ENSENADA COLORADO LANDING BEACH	2202N 08025W

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